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Re: Request for Filing Fee Refund Fee Control No. 0110118195475002

Dear Mr. Gutmann:

This letter is in response to your request dated October 2,2001 for a refund of **the** filing fee submitted on behalf of Butterfield Broadcasting Corp.

Section 1.1117 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1117, provides that filing fees may be waived upon a showing of good cause and a finding that the public interest will be served thereby. See Establishment of a Fee Collection Program to Implement the Provisions of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, 2 FCC Red 3558, 3572-73 (1990). We find that KZTA(FM) and KZTB(FM) were authorized changes that individually required rulemaking fees. KZTA(FM) involved a change in community of license and KZTB(FM) an upgrade that required modification of another allotment. The fact that both are co-owned and modified in the same proceeding does not eliminate the required fee for both stations. Therefore, your request is denied.

If you have any questions concerning **this** matter please contact the Revenue and Receivables Operations Group at (202) 418-1995.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Magalie Salas Federal Communications Commission Attn: Managing Director 445 Twelfth Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Butterfield Broadcasting Corp.

KZTA (FM), Naches, W A (Facility ID No. 36006)

File No. CDBS20010927AAP Request for Partial Refund of Fee

Dear Ms. Salas:

Butterfield Broadcasting Corp., by its attorney, pursuant to Sections 0.231(a) and 1.1113(a)(1) of the Commission's rules hereby respectfully requests a refund of \$2,090 of the \$2,845 payment submitted to the FCC on October 2,2001 with respect to the referenced matter.

In support of this request, we respectfully note that the full payment of \$2,845 was submitted upon advice from Commission processing staff. However, we submit that only \$755 of the payment was properly assessed and that the remaining \$2,090 should be refunded.

The subject application (CDBS20010027AAP) was filed in connection with the Commission's Report and Order in MM Docket 01-95, DA 01-1910, released August 10, 2001 (the "Report and Order"). The Report and Order granted two concurrent and related types of relief. The first was to change the community of license of station KZTB (FM) (Facility ID No. 4758) from Sunnyside to Benton City, Washington. Since a change of community was involved, and since rulemaking was required, we do not dispute that a rulemaking fee is required for the KZTB change, and in fact is about to be paid.

The second change implemented by the Report and Order was the modification of the KZTA license to specify operation on Channel 245C2 in lieu of Channel 245A at the same community (Naches, Washington). We respectfully submit that this **KZTA** change should not be subject to a second rulemaking fee, insofar as **seeking** a higher class co-channel is merely a minor change permitted by means of a single application without resort to rulemaking pursuant to Section 73.3573(a)(1) of the Commission's rules.

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Paragraph 9 of the Report and Order reads as follows:

Pursuant to Commission Rule Section 1.1104(1)(k) and 2(k), any party seeking a change in community of license of an FM or television allotment or an upgrade of existing FM allotment, if the request is granted, must submit a rulemaking fee when filing its application to implement the change in community of license and/or upgrade. As a result of this proceeding, Butterfield Broadcasting Corporation Licensee of Stations KZTA(FM), Naches, Washington and KZTB(FM), Sunnyside, Washington, is required to submit a rulemaking fee in addition to the fee required for the application to effectuate the upgrade at Naches and the change of community from Sunnyside to Benton City, respectively.

We respectfully submit that this language is somewhat ambiguous, insofar as it specifies only "a rulemaking fee" (emphasis added), and we had originally assumed that the reference was to a single rulemaking fee, presumably in conjunction with the KZTB change. However, out of an abundance of caution we checked with Commission staff, who are of the View that both applications (that is, for KZTA and for KZTB) require a separate fee. As the licensee of both stations is anxious to proceed with the changes authorized by the Commission, we did not want to delay submission of the applications while this matter was resolved. Accordingly, we have submitted the applications and, out of an abundance of caution, have submitted rulemaking fees with both applications. However, for the reasons set forth above, we believe that the KZTA application does not require a rulemaking fee and therefore request that \$2,090 (Fee Code MRR) of the amount paid for CDBS20010927AAP be promptly refunded.

Should any further information be required in support of this request, please communicate directly with this office.

Sincerely,

Peter Gutmann

Cc: Gregory J. Smith

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